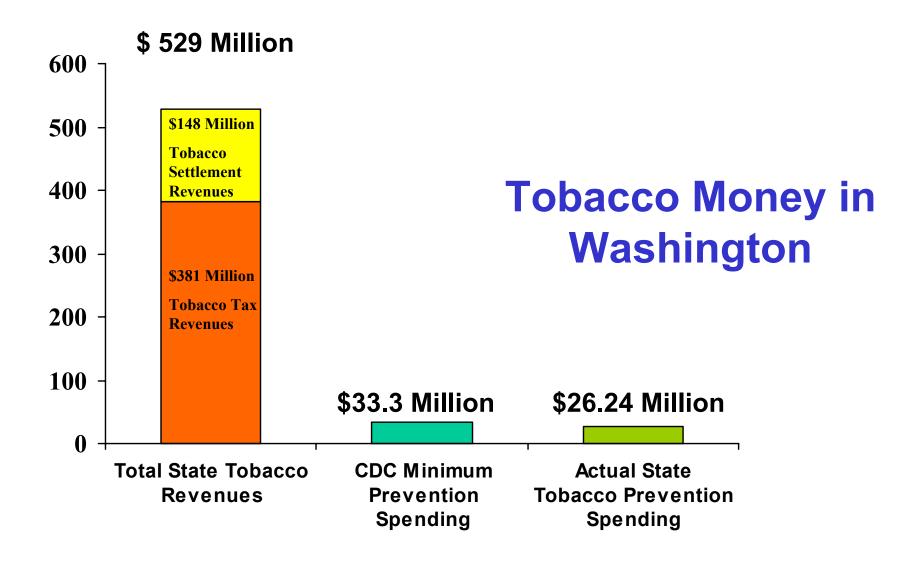
Promoting Our Successes

We Must Defend Our Program

- 15 states cut almost \$200 million from tobacco prevention in FY '03 including our model programs:
 - -CA: From \$134.5 million to \$73 million
 - -MA: From \$48 million to \$0 million
 - -AZ: From \$36.6 million to \$18.3 million
 - -OR: From \$11.2 million to \$0

It's TOBACCO Money, Stupid!



Bragging Not Begging

- Delivering our messages on a constant basis and at all levels to policy makers, the media and the public
- If we wait until programs are threatened to tell our story, it's too late!

We can win!

- In FY2003, 20 states increased funding for tobacco prevention, while 13 cut
- Leaving out CA and MA, the remaining states actually increased cumulative funding for tobacco prevention

We Should Win!

- Tobacco use is the leading preventable cause of disease and death in the United States.
- Spending on tobacco prevention and cessation should reflect the magnitude of the problem.

Effective Messages

- Keep the promise tobacco money for tobacco prevention
- Tobacco prevention/cessation will save money and help solve state budget woes

Effective Messages

- Tobacco prevention works proven solutions that protect kids, save lives and save money
- Tobacco prevention funding should reflect magnitude of the problem
- Make it real kids, smokers quitting, community programs, jobs

Tobacco Use Costs Money

- Smoking costs U.S. more than \$75 billion a year in direct medical expenditures (CDC)
- Smoking-caused health costs under Medicaid total \$23.5 billion a year -- \$13.4 billion federal, \$10.1 billion state
- 14.4 percent of all Medicaid costs attributable to smoking
- Every new smoker in WA costs state \$12,000 in health care costs (even though they die younger)

Tobacco Prevention Saves Money

- California saved \$3.60 in health care costs for every dollar spent on prevention (CA DOH)
- Massachusetts saved \$2 in health costs for every dollar spent on prevention (MIT)
- Savings are immediate from reducing smoking-caused pregnancy and birth complications, heart attacks and strokes

Saving Money In Washington

- Huge savings from reducing smoking by only 1 percentage point per year
- \$50.4 million over five years from fewer smoking-affected births and fewer heart attacks & strokes

Tobacco Prevention Works Reduces Smoking

Oregon: Cut smoking by 41% among eight graders since '96

> Arizona: Cut middle school smoking by 30% between '97 and '99

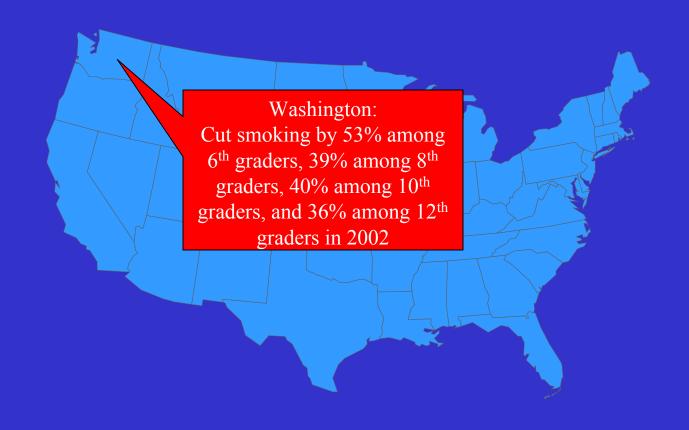
Maine: Cut high school smoking by 36% in 4 years

Mississippi: Cut smoking among public high school students by 25% since '99

Florida:
Cut middle
school smoking
by 47% & high
school smoking
by 30% since '98

Tobacco Prevention Works

Saves Lives



We Must Be Vocal And Clear

- Tobacco costs money
- Prevention and cessation saves money
- The Program works

And We Have To Do It At The Local Level

To Know You Is To Love You

- Tours
- Small group meetings
- Guest speakers
- Public/press events
- Community newsletter
- Expanding boards and coalitions

Make It Real For Policy Makers

- What we bring to our communities
- Whom we've helped
- Lives we've saved
- Money we've saved

The Message Is In The Messenger

- Kids protected
- Smokers who've quit
- Families who've lost loved ones
- Community programs
- Jobs

Media Drumbeat

- Take advantage of every media opportunity
 - -- Industry misbehavior
 - -- New research
 - -- Program accomplishments
- Keep the tobacco issue alive

Why?

- A Formidable Foe
- Tough Budget Times
- Uninformed Policy Makers

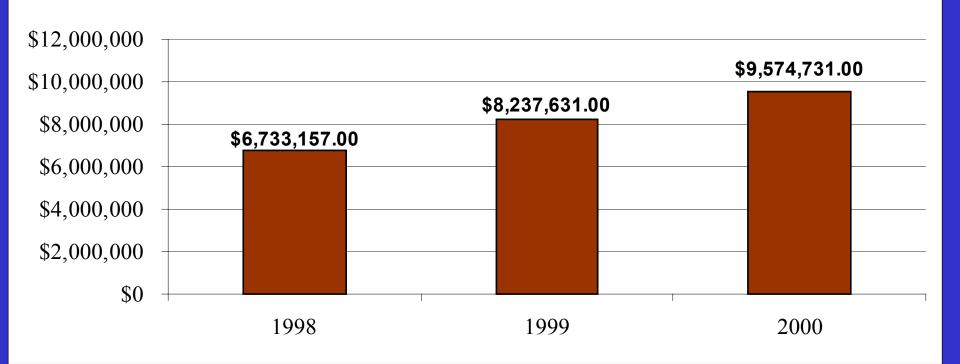
Tobacco Industry Hasn't Backed Off; Neither Should We

- Still marketing to kids
- Still opposing real policy change
- Still attacking real tobacco prevention programs and promoting phony ones
- Still lying about their products and introducing new ones

Tobacco Industry Hasn't Changed

U.S. Cigarette Marketing Increased 42% since 1998

Source: Federal Trade Commission Cigarette Report for 2000



Simple Math

Nation's No. 1 Public Health Problem

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Proven Solutions

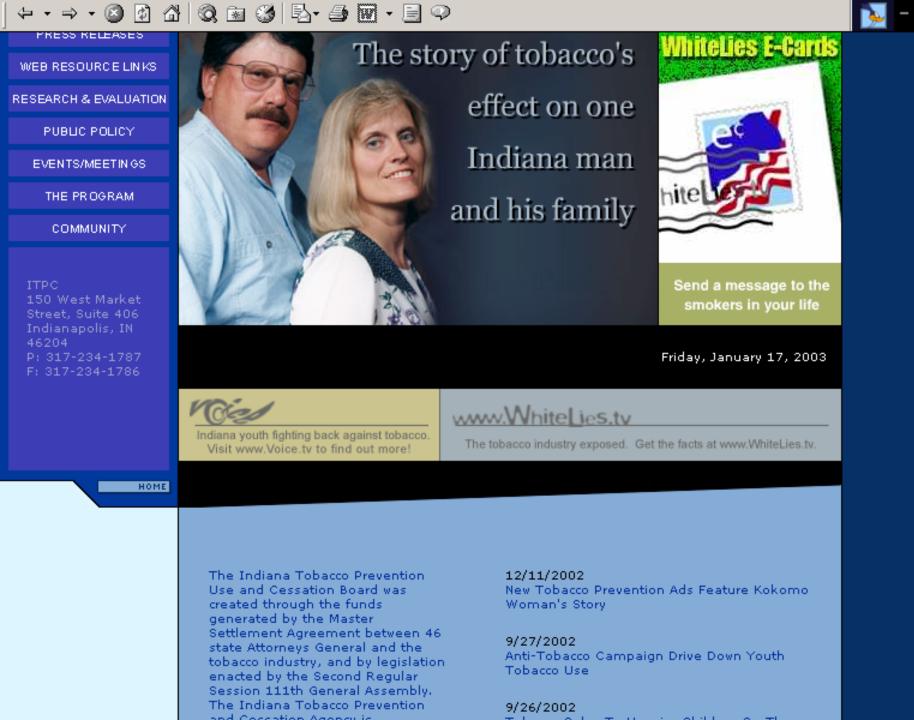
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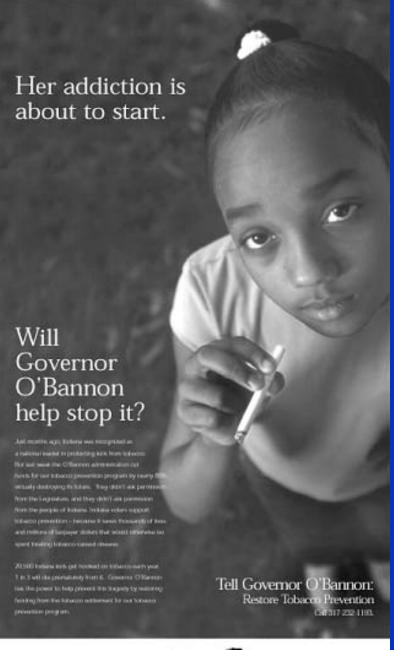
Dedicated Source of Revenue

Kids Protected, Lives and Money Saved

We Need Each Other

The whole is only as great as the sum of its parts



















Protect our Kids. Not Big Tobacco.











We're Doing Great

- MSA funds
- I 773
- Wildly successful program

And We Have To Do More

- Doing great work isn't enough
- We must trumpet our successes to the right people each and every day



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